

## THE BLOOMFIELD CITIZEN.

SATURDAY, MAY 11 1889.

## The Blue and the Gray.

A grander display of military power than appeared on Fifth avenue at the Centennial exercises last week has not been seen since the war. To the thousands who watched the progress of the troops there was a conviction that in war upon the land our armies are invincible. Yet there was no threat of war. The song of peace was in the air and upon every tongue. In the same ranks marched the battalions of the North and the South. No cheers were heartier than those which greeted the ears of the Southern Governors. Certainly these hosts of northern people who lined the sidewalks, filled the stands, the windows and the roofs of houses, from the battery to the park, had only good will for those who came from the sunny South to celebrate the adoption of the Constitution and the inauguration of the First President. What an ovation was this! How inspiring the hour when beneath the old flag vows of patriotism were renewed and wishes expressed for the prosperity of a common country! In such moments more is done for the extinction of the bitterness of the past than in an eternity of argument. Happy will it be for the Republic if from such scenes there shall go forth an influence which shall aroar a broader charity and a more abiding patriotism throughout these United States.

## Fires.

The frequency of fires is rapidly inducing the belief that some of them are not the result of accident. Indeed suspicious circumstances often point to malicious mischief as the probable cause. This is a serious matter. Not only property but life is endangered by the presence of miscreants in a community capable of the crime of arson. The destruction of an out-building of no great value may not cause many regrets, but there is always the danger of the spread of such fires to more valuable buildings, with a chance of accidents to firemen engaged in saving such property. Moreover those who enter upon this work of destruction are pretty sure to continue until no property is safe from the hand of the destroyer.

If there are any persons in this community inclined to indulge their evil propensities in this way they should be ferreted out at once. Arson is a comparatively safe crime. It may be committed in the dead of night without entering any building and with the use of a few inflammable materials which are easily procurable. Its detection is not easy, because the motive may be merely a desire to gratify the passion of excitement or destruction. Yet the vanity of mankind is such as to cause those who engage in it to betray their secret sooner or later. In such a case the whole community should be enlisted for the detection of crime.

Some action by the town authorities would not be out of place if upon investigation the facts indicate that fires are of incendiary origin.

## The Wall Paper Citizen.

For the benefit of those who were interested by an account some weeks ago of the tragic fate of the Vicksburg Citizen, printed on wall paper during the siege of that town by Grant's army, we send out this week in fac simile a reproduction of that unfortunate name sake of ours. A copy of the last issue of Mr. Swords' rebel newspaper was recently brought to light in Maine and was reproduced by the Bath Independent. Originals are of course exceedingly rare. The fate simile which we issue to-day as a supplement is a curiosity well worth reading and preserving for the instruction and amusement of a generation of citizens yet to come.

That no announcement has been made of a day for the election of Directors does not indicate that the bank project has been abandoned. The bank will come in good time, and moreover, it will be permanent and one of which the town will be proud. Those having the matter in charge have for the present done all they can and must wait with all the patience at their command the slow measurement of red tape by the government officials.

Rev. R. B. Collins the newly appointed pastor of the Park M. E. Church tendered a reception on Monday night by the members of the congregation. Rev. H. W. Ballantine of the first Presbyterian and Rev. Chas. Cook of the first Baptist Churches were among those who delivered addresses of welcome. A very happy evening was spent.

A Scrap of Paper Saves Her Life. It was just an ordinary scrap of wrapping paper, but it saved her life. She was in the last stages of consumption, told by physicians to expect a short and painful life only a short time ago. The object of this sea anchor is to bring a man or ship's head to the sea when in danger of founders from getting broadside to broadside. There is nothing very new in the idea, for such a contrivance has frequently been extemporized with advantage. The veteran aeronaut, Green, also constructed an anchor to hold a balloon near the surface of the sea, which was almost identical in form to this one. —New York Telegram.

## Deaths at Sea.

"A great deal has been done," said an old sailor the other day, "to improve the lot of the men before the mast, since first I went to sea as a cabin boy, and whenever a complaint is properly lodged against a cruel officer, I must say it is fairly investigated. Yet for all that, there are plenty of murders committed today on the high seas that are never investigated because no complaint is made. Every day one or two vessels come into this port with a shorter crew than they started out with and their captains' reports of 'seaman fell overboard and was lost,' or 'cabin boy killed by falling spar, or died from heart trouble and was buried at sea' are accepted as perfectly satisfactory. No investigation is made into the death, unless some one lodges a formal complaint."

It's an easy matter for one man who has a grudge against his mate to shove the other overboard, if they are both up in the rigging in a dark and stormy night. The unseen cutting of a rope is often enough to do it. It is easy to drop a block or a marine spike on the head of a man below, that will knock him down to the water to drown, or down to the deck to smash his skull. "Heart trouble" covers a great deal of insufficient evidence of foul play.

This is not the way things are done on land. You have your coroners here to investigate sudden deaths, why should they not look into deaths at sea? Many poor cowards would tell the truth against their officers if they were thus forced to do so, who would not dare come forward and lodge a complaint they might be unable fully to prove." —New York Tribune.

## The Head of the Army.

Gen. Schofield's salary is \$13,000. Although he is the successor of Sherman, who followed a line of soldiers in the office who were national heroes, and though he is rightfully the incumbent by reason of his services to the country, his career has not been such as to make his name over familiar to people generally.

His military life has been long and the duties faithfully performed, but in few events has he been very conspicuous.

Gen. Schofield was born on the 29th of September, 1831. He graduated from the United States Military academy in 1853, in the same class with Sheridan, Sherman, and Howard. Before he left the service to become a professor of natural science in a university, but at the breaking out of hostilities he entered the army as a volunteer. A major's commission was tendered to him at once and on Nov. 21, 1861, he had reached the grade of brigadier general. He served all through the war, notably in the Atlanta campaign, and for a time was secretary of war in Grant's first cabinet. At present his duties are practically nominal, for there are plenty of subordinates to look after details. He has an office in the department building which is principally interesting for the relics which it contains of his service. Sheridan filled up his office in a similar way, and it was a favorite spot for sightseers.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## Capture and Recapture.

A veteran of the Thirty-sixth Illinois volunteers furnished this:

After we had flanked Johnston's army from Dallas, it was, contrary to the usual custom of the fortune of the First brigade—Sheridan's old division—to be left behind a few days, as a guard for an inchoate army. One day a party of us—men—one of them John T. Correll, commissary of our brigade—wrote to take a field beyond and in sight of our picket line, in a small bayou, which terribly alarmed by some of Ferguson's cavalry hovering in the vicinity, who detached two men armed with sabers and carbines to bring them in. Being without arms they were surprised, and started off on deshable in the very face of the pickets, who dared not fire for fear of injuring the prisoners. Each rebel started in a different direction with his charge. After going a short distance, T. Correll turned to one who gave him a revolver, but missed, on which the Johnny, out of spite, returned the shot; when Tyrrell, taking advantage of his empty carbine, sprang and caught him by his abundant whiskers and dragged him from his horse. Here a short struggle ensued, in which the Confederate had to give way to northern muscle, although they were both good types of their countries, and Johnny, minus his gun and saber, was marched to the picket lines by his escort, who guided him by walking behind him with a rifle. He was then put into a picket, it is useless to say that he was received by the pickets with considerable merriment. The other Confederate, on seeing his comrade's fate, and hearing the whirr of a few random shots, fled, and left his charge to come back at his will.

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Liquors Produce Fair?

Liquors make fat. There is no doubt of this in my mind, though I am fully cognizant of the fact that a good many people will deny it. The character of the practice of drinking invariably leads to obesity. In Spain, where men drink little, a fat man is unknown. In Paris, where men content themselves with sipping, there is no doubt of the fact that the French are thin to a remarkable degree. The French, on the other hand, drink great quantities of champagne, Burgundy and later beer, and they are a result prone to stoutness. In England men drink ale and stout, and they are a thick-necked, pudgy and heavy face as a rule. I had observed all this many times, and when I went to Germany, where I knew the consumption of beer was very great, I had prepared to find fat men in abundance. I was not disappointed. There would seem to be absolutely no end of big, content and unwieldy men in Germany.

While in the United States, I saw splendid looking warriors, but two months after they leave the ranks they become heavy, puffy and beefy to the last degree. This is even so in the ranks among the other soldiers, and the cavalry were men of such extraordinary weight that they always excited comment among strangers.—Philadelphia Evening Ledger.

Sea Anchors.

Experiments have lately been tried at Dover with a so called sea anchor, invented by Capt. Waters. This apparatus consists of a canvas bag about four feet in diameter and five feet deep, with either a strong hoop to hold it open or a square bolted frame to answer the same purpose. The bag is attached to a beam, or float, in such a manner that it lies just below the surface of the water, and a stout rope forms a connection between it and the end of the anchor cable being used. The object of this sea anchor is to bring a man or ship's head to the sea when in danger of founders from getting broadside to broadside.

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